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For:  $\alpha$ -AMYLASE-RESISTANT STARCH FOR PRODUCING FOODSTUFF AND  
MEDICAMENTS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 1/20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

--21. A composition comprising at least one of a water-insoluble linear  $\alpha$ -1,4-D-glucan or a resistant starch obtainable therefrom, wherein the degree of branching in the 2, 3, or 6 position does not exceed 0.5%, and at least one further food additive or feed additive.